

Sites Reservoir

Project	Potential Storage (acre-feet)	Environmental review completion date
Sites Reservoir	1,900,000	August 2004

Description

This project could enhance water management flexibility in the Sacramento Valley and provide storage and operational benefits for other CALFED programs including fisheries protection, Delta water quality, and the EWA. The CALFED ROD indicates that, “expanding water storage capacity is critical to the successful implementation of all aspects of the CALFED Program.” Sites Reservoir was noted in the ROD as a program that requires “further consideration” or study evaluation during Stage 1. The ROD directs CALFED agencies to join with local partners to complete extensive technical work, significant additional environmental review, and development of cost-sharing agreements of a “Sites Reservoir” project.

Milestones	Schedule
Complete environmental review and planning documentation	August 2004

Agency roles

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) is the lead agency for the feasibility study and CEQA compliance. Per the Sites MOU, the Bureau of Reclamation is the lead agency for NEPA compliance.

Authority

Initial planning studies carried out by DWR were funded under Proposition 204. Recent authorization and funding have come from California’s General Fund. No federal authorization or appropriation currently exists.

Budget

	Fiscal Year 01	Fiscal Year 02	FY02 Capability
Federal	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000
State	\$8,100,000	\$ 4,550,000	\$6,550,000